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In re Patent Application of:
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For: Modification of Bioassays for Detection of
Antigens Characteristic of Bacteria that are
Causative of Ear and Respiratory Infections to
Eliminate False Positive Results Caused by
Nasopharyngeal Colonization of Children

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Examiner Devi:

In response to the final Office Action, mailed August 18, 2009, in the above-identified application, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments. Applicants believe that no fee is due. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account Number **06-1448, Reference ISA-102.01**.

A one-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination are being filed concurrently herewith.